

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**A B S T R A C T**

M.W. DEPT. – Andhra Pradesh Federation of Churches, Secunderabad – Request for extension of Financial Assistance for an amount of Rs. 5.00 lakhs (Rupees Five Lakhs only) towards legal expenses for hiring the services of good and eminent Advocate(s) to argue the case in the Writ Petition W.P.(civil) No.180/2004 in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India pertaining to grant of SC status to Dalit Christians - orders – Issued.

**MINORITIES WELFARE (ICM-II) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O. Rt. No. 61**

**Dated: 05-03-2012**

**Read the following:-**

1. G.O.Ms.No.121, M.W.(ICM-II) Dept, dt.1.4.2010.
2. Govt. Memo. No. 2911/ICM-II/A2/2011-2, Dt.21.3.2011.
3. Representation from Sri B.Danam, IAS (Retd), Executive Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Federation Of Churches, Secunderabad, dt.17.12.2011.
4. From the M.D, APSC(M)FC, Hyd Lrs. No. 635/C-II/Genl./ APSCMFC/2011, dt. 12.1.2012
5. From Spl.Secy to C.M, Hon'ble C.M Office, Note No. 197/CMP-MM/2012, dt. 20.1.2012
6. From the M.D, APSC(M)FC, Hyd. Lrs. No. 674/C-II/Genl./ APSCMFC/2011, dt. 28.1.2012

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**ORDER:**

In the G.O. first read above, Government have issued orders and assigned certain Schemes to Andhra Pradesh State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation in addition to the ongoing Schemes for addressing grievances faced by Christian Community in an effective manner.

2. Sri B.Danam, IAS (Retd), Executive Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Federation of Churches, Secunderabad, in his letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, has stated that the issue of SC status to Christians of SC origin is pending since a long time in spite of recommendations by the various commissions and a W.P.No. 180 of 2004 was filed by the Center for Public Interest Litigation, New Delhi in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, on behalf of the Christians of SC origin. Further, Indian Church is predominantly Dalit Church where Dalit Christians constitute about 60 to 95% in different States of India and the Legal expenses in the above Writ petitions are estimated to be about Rs.10.00 Lakhs. As the Community is not in a position to raise the said funds, he has requested the Govt., to provide necessary financial assistance of Rs.10.00 Lakhs, through APSC(M)FC, Hyd for engaging eminent Advocate(s) to argue their case in the Supreme Court.

3. The Managing Director, A.P. State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd. In his letters 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> read above, has stated that as per para 4(1) and (2) of the G.O.Ms.No.121, M.W.(ICM-II) Dept, dt.1.4.2010., the problems faced by the Christian community need to be addressed by the APSC(M)FC, Hyd. Further, extending SC status to the Christians of SC origin is a long pending issue of utmost importance to the Community. He has, therefore, requested the Govt., to release the said amount of Rs. 10.00 lakhs for the above said purpose, which can be met out of the available funds of Rs. 500.00 Lakhs, released for the welfare schemes of the Andhra Pradesh State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd.

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4. Government after careful examination, hereby accord permission to the Managing Director, A.P. State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd to release an amount of Rs. 5.00 Lakhs (Rupees Five Lakhs only) in favour of "Andhra Pradesh Federation Of Churches, Secunderabad", towards legal expenses for hiring the services of good and eminent Advocate(s) to argue the case in the Writ Petition W.P.(civil) No.180/2004 in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India pertaining to grant of SC status to Dalit Christians, from the available funds of Rs. 500.00 Lakhs, released for implementation of the welfare schemes of the Andhra Pradesh State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd.

5. The Managing Director, A.P. State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd. is requested to obtain all the vouchers, bills and Utilization Certificates from the organization i.e Andhra Pradesh Federation Of Churches, Secunderabad towards incurring the said expenditure to avoid any audit objections in future.

6. The Managing Director, A.P. State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd. shall take necessary action.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance (Expr.SW) Dept. vide their U.O. No. 2057/65/A1/Exp. SW/2012 ,dated: 05/03/2012.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**Dr. MOHD. ALI RAFATH,  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.**

To,  
The Managing Director,  
A.P. State Christian (Minorities) Finance Corporation, Hyd  
Sri B.Danam, IAS (Retd.), Executive Secretary,  
Andhra Pradesh Federation of Churches,  
APBC Center, 2/3, Sikh Village, Secunderabad.  
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyd  
The Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Dy. Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P. Secretariat, Hyderabad.

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The Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad  
The P.S. to Spl.Secy. to C.M.  
The P.S. to M(M.W)  
The P.S. to Secy. M.W. Dept.  
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**SECTION OFFICER**